

### **§329.3. Temporary Licensure – Adopted to be effective March 1, 2015**

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**Summary of Amendment:** The amendment adds/modifies language to (b) to establish a new category for issuing a temporary license to restoration applicants completing supervised clinical practice, (c) to clarify that an individual with a temporary license must be supervised by a physical therapist, and (d) to allow a temporary licensee to begin work on the basis of website verification of licensure.

#### **§329.3. Temporary Licensure**

##### **(a) For examination candidates.**

###### **(1) Requirements.**

- (A) meet all requirements as stated in §329.1 of this title (relating to General Licensure Requirements and Procedures);
- (B) register for the national physical therapy examination;
- (C) submit temporary licensee and supervisor affidavits as provided by the board; and
- (D) submit fees for temporary licensure as set by the executive council.

###### **(2) Eligibility.**

- (A) The board will issue a temporary license to work in Texas to an applicant who is taking the exam for the first time.
- (B) An applicant who has received a license from another state is not eligible for temporary licensure.
- (C) A candidate who has taken and failed the physical therapist examination is not eligible for temporary licensure as a physical therapist assistant.

###### **(3) Duration.**

- (A) The temporary license is valid until the applicant receives the score report from the board, or until the last day of the third month after the month the license is issued, whichever occurs first.
- (B) The coordinator may extend the temporary license for no more than 30 days to offset an unreasonable delay in reporting the examination results to the applicant.

###### **(4) Failure of examination.** If the applicant fails the exam, the temporary license is void and must be returned to the board when the notification of the failure is received.

##### **(b) For restoration of license by means of Supervised Clinical Practice (SCP).**

###### **(1) Requirements.**

- (A) meet all requirements as stated in §341.6 (d) (1) (A) – (D) (relating to License Restoration);
- (B) submit temporary license and supervisor affidavits as provided by the board; and
- (C) submit fees for temporary licensure as set by the executive council.

###### **(2) Duration.**

- (A) The temporary license is valid for the duration of the SCP as designated by the board;
- (B) If the applicant fails to complete the SCP in the designated timeframe, the temporary license is void and must be returned to the board.

(c) Supervision requirements. An applicant with a temporary PT license must have on-site supervision by a physical therapist with a permanent license to practice in Texas when providing physical therapy services. An applicant with a temporary PTA license must have on-site supervision by a physical therapist with a permanent license to practice in Texas when providing physical therapy services.

(d) A new temporary licensee may provide physical therapy services upon online verification of licensure. The Board will maintain a secure resource for verification of license status and expiration date on its website.